

## BANKERS WIN GUARANTY SUIT

KANSAS SUPREME COURT SAYS THEY MAY HAVE CHARTER.

Superintendent of Insurance Has No Authority to Go Beyond the Statute.

Topeka, Kansas.—The Bankers' Deposit Guaranty company won its case against Insurance Superintendent Barnes in the supreme court and will get its certificate from the insurance department to do business in the state Elmer E. Ames, president of the company, was very much pleased.

This company was organized by national bankers and a few state bankers, for the purpose of insuring bank deposits in banks which could not participate in the state bank guaranty law, or which did not want to. The main point at issue was whether the superintendent could limit the company to insure deposits bearing not over 3 per cent, the limit fixed in the state guaranty law.

The national bankers applied to the supreme court for a writ to compel the superintendent of insurance to issue the certificate, and the court issued the writ on the grounds that the bankers' company had complied with all the provisions of the law in their application to do business in the state, and that the superintendent of insurance had no authority to go beyond the statute in the imposition of limitations or requirements for such company.

## THE COST OF LIVING IS HIGH

Bradstreet Reports Show it to Be Within a Fraction of the Highest Ever Reached.

New York, N. Y.—That the cost of living will soon be greater than ever before known is indicated by the December report of the Bradstreet company. The report shows that the prices of commodities are within a small fraction of the record. Up to date the highest prices ever known in this country for commodities was March 1, 1907.

According to Bradstreet's table of index numbers, December 1 of this year the level stood at \$9.1262. On March 1, 1907, the level was \$9.1293. That is, the price of commodities today is within a small fraction of 1 per cent of the highest record ever registered.

## THE PAPER TRADE IS GROWING

Imports Have Increased from \$3,000,000 in 1899 to \$12,000,000 in 1909 —Exports Increased Also.

Washington, D. C.—What an important factor in the commerce of the United States is furnished by paper and its kindred manufactures is shown by a bulletin just compiled by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor.

Imports of paper and products have increased from \$3,000,000 in 1899 to \$12,000,000 in 1909, and the exports have increased at a large rate also. In the last 10 years American manufacturers have sold in foreign markets paper and manufactures valued at \$80,000,000 and in the same period the United States has spent for the same products of foreign manufacture about \$70,000,000.

## Must Look Out for Pedestrians.

Topeka, Kansas.—Pedestrians in Kansas may cross a street at any point they desire, whether at a corner crossing or in the middle of the block, and the drivers of teams must look out for them. In the suit of Alfred Seifert, 12 years old, against F. H. F. Schable, appealed from Wyandotte county, the supreme court allowed damages to Seifert because the driver of one of Schable's wagons was not exercising proper care. In the trial, Schable's attorneys asserted that the driver of the team did not have to look out for pedestrians who might cross the street at other than regular crossings. The lower court held against this and the supreme court sustained it.

## West Point Man an Embezzler.

New York, N. Y.—Capt. Thomas Franklin, U. S. A., twice commended by Gen. Chaffee and Gen. Otis for distinguished service in China and Manila, pleaded guilty to many petty embezzlements from the mess fund of the West Point cadets, as commissary and treasurer of the United States Military academy. He was sentenced by Judge Hand in the United States circuit court to two years and six months in the federal penitentiary in Atlanta, Ga.

## More Cook Data Demanded.

Washington, D. C.—The National Geographical society will have to receive more proofs of Dr. Cook's claims to the discovery of the North Pole before it can attempt any decision as to Dr. Cook's rights to such claims as the statement made by Prof. Gore.

## OKLAHOMA BANKS ARE FAILING

The Farmer's National of Tulsa and First State of Kiefer Have Closed Their Doors.

Tulsa, Oklahoma.—With the closing of the doors of the Farmer's National bank of Tulsa by National Examiner Bryant has come a second crash in the financial institutions of Oklahoma, the result of which cannot be foretold, but will be far-reaching.

Already it has resulted in the closing of the doors of the First State bank of Kiefer, which had deposits in the Tulsa bank equal to more than three times its entire capital stock. Other failures may result.

That the failure of the Tulsa bank is an aftermath of the suspension of the Columbia Bank and Trust company, over which the officials of the state have been in turmoil for some time, and over which threats of exposure and scandal have been heard daily for the last few weeks, is the belief of many people.

## WENT GUNNING FOR SOLDIERS

His Aim Being Bad the Soldiers Escaped But the Gunner Got 200 Days in Jail.

Leavenworth, Kansas.—Bent on revenge upon two soldiers at Fort Leavenworth, whose names are unknown to the city officials, Grover Snipps, a guard at the United States military prison, came to Leavenworth and coming upon the two soldiers at Third and Delaware streets, suddenly began shooting at them. He fired two shots from his revolver and was then overpowered and disarmed by the police. Neither of the soldiers was hit by the bullets, and both escaped back to the fort without their identity being disclosed.

Snipps was tried in police court. All he said in answer to the charge was that he had gone "gunning after those two fellows." He was fined \$100 and given a sentence of 200 days in jail.

## INVENTED FIRST GRAIN BINDER

Charles H. Whittington Got His First Patent in 1870 Which Revolutionized the Harvesting Methods.

Chicago, Illinois.—Charles H. Whittington, inventor of the first automatic grain binder, died at his residence in Janesville, Wis. He was born in Middlebury, now Akron, O., in 1830 and settled in Janesville 61 years ago.

Whittington began to experiment in the early '60s along the line of an improved grain binder. In 1870 he obtained a patent for an invention which had revolutionized the agricultural industry. In 1874 he sold the patent to Cyrus H. McCormick of Chicago. From this time until 1894 he was associated in business with the McCormicks, and he did special experimental work for the McCormick interests in his shop at Janesville in the ten years following. He left a widow and three daughters.

## A HOTEL MANAGER ACQUITTED

F. W. Young of Joplin Did Not Know Gambling Was Going on Was the Verdict.

Joplin, Missouri.—After a police court trial lasting until 2:10 o'clock in the morning, a jury of six acquitted F. W. Young, manager of the Connor hotel, who was charged with permitting a gambling device in the shape of a roulette wheel to be operated in his hostelry.

Young was arrested following a raid about a week ago, which resulted in the capture of the wheel on the eighth floor of the hotel and the arrest of two professional gamblers, Walter Miller and Fred Frey.

## Prof. TenEych Honored.

Manhattan, Kansas.—Prof. A. M. TenEych of the Kansas State Agricultural college was elected president of the American Association of Agronomists at the Omaha meeting last week. This association is composed of widely known scientists of America engaged in plant breeding and farm crop experiments, including the experts of the United States department of agriculture and the agronomists of all the experiment stations of the United States and Canada.

## Telephone Trust Hearing Delayed.

Jefferson City, Missouri.—By consent of all parties the taking of testimony in the suit instituted by Attorney General Major against the American Telephone and Telegraph company, the Bell Telephone company and the Missouri and Kansas Telephone company, has been postponed until December 28.

## Help for Mine Victims.

Springfield, Illinois.—Senator Glacklin of Chicago introduced a bill in the senate, appropriating \$50,000 to the Cherry mine disaster survivors. The bill on his motion was advanced to the second reading without reference to committee.

## SOUNDS LIKE A FAIRY TALE

THE FARMERS OF CENTRAL CANADA REAP WHEAT AND RICHES.

Up in the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the provinces that compose Central Canada have such a quantity of land suitable for the growth of small grains, which grow so abundantly, and yield so handsomely that no fear need be feared of a wheat famine on this Continent. The story reproduced below is only one of the hundreds of proofs that could be produced to show the results that may be obtained from cultivation of the lands in these provinces. Almost any section of the country will do as well.

With the country recently opened by the Grand Trunk Pacific, the latest of the great transcontinental lines to enter the field of the development of the Canadian West, there is afforded added ample opportunity to do as was done in the case cited below:

To buy a section of land, break it up and crop it, make \$17,550 out of the yield and \$10,880 out of the increase of value all within the short period of two years, was the record established by James Bailey, a well known farmer within a few miles of Regina. Mr. Bailey bought the 640 acres of land near Grand Coulee two years ago. He immediately prepared the whole section for crop and this year has 600 acres of wheat and 40 acres of oats. The wheat yielded 19,875 bushels, and the oats yielded 4,750 bushels. The whole of the grain has been marketed and Mr. Bailey is now worth \$17,550 from the grain alone. He bought the land at \$18 an acre, and the other day refused an offer of \$35 an acre, just a \$17 advance for the time of his purchase. The land cost \$11,320 in the first instance. Here are the figures of the case.—Land cost, 640 acres, at \$18, \$11,320. Wheat yielded 19,875 bushels, at 84 cents a bushel, \$16,695. Oats yielded 4,750 bushels at 28 cents a bushel, \$855. Offered for land, 640 acres at \$35 an acre, \$22,400. Increase value of land, \$10,880. Total earnings of crop, \$17,550, together with increase in value of land a total of \$28,540.

It is interesting to note the figures of the yield per acre. The wheat yielded 33½ bushels to the acre, and oats 118.7 bushels to the acre. The figures are a fair indication of the average throughout the district.

Agents of the Canadian Government in the different cities will be pleased to give you information as to rates, etc.

## Woman's Daring Deed.

In southern Tunis lies an extensive salt marsh desert called the Shott Jerid, of which the Arabs stand in terror, for many a caravan has been lost in the salt incrustated morass, which, according to De Lesseps is as much as 1,200 feet deep in places. This region has been crossed for the first time in a small automobile by a woman, Myriam Harry, a well-known French novelist.

## Not Up to Modern Standards.

"Your wife's new hat makes her look like a queen," said the man who tries to be complimentary. "Don't let her hear you say that," answered Mr. Bliggins. "I have looked through the histories and I never yet saw a picture of a queen who looked as if she enjoyed a first-class milliner."

## Important to Mothers.

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## Tabbed and Filed.

Mrs. Crawford—You must love your husband very dearly if you save all the letters he sends you while you're in the country.

Mrs. Crabshaw—I'm keeping them for comparison, my dear. I'm sure to catch him in a lie.—Judge.

## Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

Dr. Delebon's Relief for Rheumatism radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action is remarkable. It removes the cause and the disease quickly disappears. First dose greatly benefits. See Druggists.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Better a poor man at large than a rich man in jail.

## COUGHING BURST BLOOD VESSEL

Days Danger Avoided and Cures Coughs in 5 Hours.

A writer for the medical press states that coughing is responsible for the bursting of blood vessels quite frequently. A cough or cold means inflammation (fever) and congestion, and these in turn indicate that the body is full of poisons and waste matter. Simple relief, as found in patent cough medicines, and whiskey, often result in more harm than good; as they cause more congestion. A tonic-laxative cough syrup will work marvels and here follows a prescription which is becoming famous for its prompt relief and thorough cures. It rids the system of the cause, except it be consumption. Don't wait for consumption to grasp its victim, but begin this treatment, which cures some in five hours. Mix in a bottle one-half ounce fluid wild cherry bark, one ounce compound essence cardiol and three ounces syrup white pine compound. Take twenty drops every half hour for four hours. Then one-half to one teaspoonful three or four times a day. Give children less according to age.

## The Exception.

In a home where the mother is somewhat aggressive and the father good-natured and peace-loving, a child's estimate of home conditions was tersely expressed the other day. While dressing, the mother paused in the act of putting on her shoes and said: "I certainly am easy on shoes. I have worn these for four months. I don't know what you would do, John, if I were not. I am easy on everything." The little girl looked up from her dolls and remarked: "Except father."—Success.

## Now and Then.

He is a capitalist now in an Ohio town, but he was not always thus. He has progressed along various lines, and one mark of his progress is the open-back shirt, a comparatively modern invention. To this he is yet new, and recently commented upon it to a friend who was in his room while he was dressing.

"Look at me," he said, sticking his head through his shirt. "When I came to this town I hadn't a shirt to my back, and now—now, I haven't a back to my shirt."

## Coming to Terms.

Possible Boarder—Ah, that was a ripping dinner, and if that was a fair sample of your meals, I should like to come to terms.

Scotch Farmer—Before we gang any further, was that a fair sample o' yer appetite?

## Described.

Miss Giddigosh—Oh, uncle, have you seen the Williamses' baby? Do describe it to me.

Uncle Snark—Description! Um!—ah! very small features, clean shaven, red-faced, and looks a hard drinker.

## Method in Their Madness.

"Why do so many otherwise clever women write silly letters to men?" "They're probably making a collection of the answers they get."

## COUNTRY CLEARLY AT FAULT

Provisions for Taking Care of Unfortunate Tuberculosis Victims Are All Too Meager.

The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis states that there are in the United States at least 300,000 consumptives who are so poor that they cannot pay for proper medical treatment in tuberculosis sanatoria and hospitals. Some of them can pay small amounts a week for their maintenance, but the great majority of them cannot pay anything. For this large class of patients the entire country has provided only 10,000 beds for the free treatment of tuberculosis. In Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Kansas, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Philippine islands, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, West Virginia and Wyoming there is no place where the consumptive without means can be treated but in the jails or the insane asylums of these states, and in most cases he will get no treatment there. Sixteen other states provide less than 50 beds each for poor consumptives. In only two states, Massachusetts and New York, have beds for needy tuberculosis patients been provided, so that at least one in ten may find a place for treatment. In many of the other states not one in fifty of the destitute consumptives can find a bed in a hospital or sanatorium.

Our idea of heaven is a place big enough to make it possible for people to be without neighbors.

## WESTERN CANADA

What Governor Deneen, of Illinois, Says About It:

Governor Deneen, of Illinois, owns a section of land in Saskatchewan, Canada. He has said in an interview: "As an American I am delighted to see the remarkable progress of Western Canada. Our people are flocking across the boundary in thousands, and I have not yet met one who admitted he had made a mistake. They are all doing well. There is scarcely a community in the Middle or Western States that has not a representative in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta."

## 125 Million Bushels of Wheat in 1909

Western Canada field crops for 1909 will easily yield to the farmer \$170,000,000.00 in cash. Free Homesteads of 160 acres at \$3.00 an acre. Railway and Land Companies have land for sale at reasonable prices. Many farmers have paid for their land out of the proceeds of one crop. Splendid climate, good schools, excellent railway facilities, low freight rates, wood, water and lumber easily obtained. For pamphlet "Last Best West," particulars as to suitable location and low settlers' rate, apply to Dept. of Immigration, Ottawa, Can., or to Canadian Gov't Agent, J. S. CRAWFORD No. 125 W. Ninth Street, Kansas City, Mo. (Use address nearest you.) [1]

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